

## 2013 Maryland Homegrown School Lunch Week Activities Listed by County

*Below is a snapshot of activities that are occurring during Maryland Home Grown Lunch Week based on a survey of school systems, it is not necessarily an inclusive list of all activities.*

<b>Allegany County Public Schools</b>	
Local Products	Apples and Sweet Potatoes
Distributor	DOD Fresh Program
Special Events	Local apples will be the choice for fresh fruit on the menu. Featured on the menus and posters in the cafeterias.
<b>Anne Arundel County Public Schools</b>	
Local Products	Gala Apples, Green Peppers, Peaches, Butternut Squash, Golden Delicious Apples, Yellow Squash, Nectarines, Zucchini, Watermelon and Cucumbers
Distributor	Coastal Sunbelt
Local Farmers	Arnold Farms, Colora Orchards
Special Events	Local food items will be incorporated into school lunch menus.
<b>Baltimore County Public Schools</b>	
Local Products	Fruits and Vegetables
Special Events	<p>West Towson Elementary School PTO will celebrate all week long:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Students will receive an apple from Baugher's Orchards on Monday, September 23rd</li> <li>-Students that purchase lunch will receive locally grown produce in their meals all week</li> <li>-Students will provide a "fun fact" about the type of local produce being served each day via the morning announcements!</li> <li>- Table tents will be placed in the cafeteria to inform students which local farms are supplying produce for the school lunch that day</li> <li>- "I Ate Local Food" stickers from the Department of Agriculture will be available for each student</li> <li>-Healthy recipes that incorporate the local produce being served will be available</li> <li>-A 'mini farmer's market' will be available at the Family Social on September 20<sup>th</sup> with plenty of local produce on which to stock up</li> </ul>
<b>Calvert County Public Schools</b>	
Local Products	Corn on the cob
Local Farmers	Swann Farms, Whispering Meadows Farm
Special Events	At Patuxent Elementary School, students participated in activities pertaining to seed identification, planting, growing, harvesting and farm animals. The students were also able to shuck their own corn.

Caroline County Public Schools	
Local Products & Farmers	S.B Farm - Bison
Special Events	Taste testing of local bison at secondary levels, local farmer visits at elementary level. School food items will be incorporated into school lunch menus.
Cecil County Public Schools	
Local Products & Farmers	Colora Orchards - apples, nectarines, peach
Dorchester County Public Schools	
Local Farmers, Watermen & Products	<p><b>Emily's Produce</b> will be providing apples; cucumbers; tomatoes and sweet potatoes to our South Dorchester Pk-8 School.</p> <p><b>Chicone Farms</b> (Valerie Brinsfield) will be providing locally grown sweet potatoes to our Vienna, Warwick, North Dorchester High, and Hurlock Schools. She has also played a big role in getting us other local produce from local farmers in the North Dorchester area of our County (tomatoes, cucumbers, etc.) for these schools.</p> <p><b>Reid Farms</b> will be providing locally grown watermelons to our Vienna, Warwick, North Dorchester High and Hurlock Schools.</p> <p><b>Humphrey's Farm</b> is providing white sweet potatoes to our Sandy Hill Elementary School.</p> <p>The cafeteria manager at <b>North Dorchester Middle School</b> (Jennifer Bradley) will be getting locally grown sweet potatoes from the <b>Smith's Farm</b>; locally grown watermelons from the <b>Calloway Farm</b> and tomatoes and cucumbers from her family farm – <b>Sand Hill Farm</b>.</p> <p><b>Teddy Bear Produce</b> will be getting us produce (tomatoes, cucumbers, apples, sweet potatoes and watermelons) for our other schools.</p> <p><b>Chesapeake Gold Oysters</b> – Oysters, samples, shucking demos</p>
Frederick County Public Schools	
Local Products	Apples, grape tomatoes, butternut squash
Local Farmers	Catoctin Mountains - apples
Special Events	Local food items will be incorporated into school lunch menus.
Harford County Public Schools	
Local Products	Watermelon, apples, nectarines, peaches, green peppers, grape tomatoes, large tomatoes, zucchini, yellow squash, cantaloupes and cucumbers
Local Farmers	<p>Jones Family Farm, Susquehanna Orchards, Wilson Mill, Lohr Orchards, Shaw's Orchards More information on the website:</p> <p><a href="http://www.hcps.org/departments/businessservices/foodandnutrition.aspx">http://www.hcps.org/departments/businessservices/foodandnutrition.aspx</a></p>
Special Events	Harford County focuses on offering multiple different local items throughout the growing season and are made available to all students as part of their meal choices from August through late December.
Kent County Public Schools	
Local Products	Peaches, apples, pear, watermelon and cantaloupe.
Local Farmers	Lockbriar Farms
Special Events	Homemade vegetable soup made with local products. Local food items will be incorporated into school lunch menus.

<b>Montgomery County Public Schools</b>	
Local Products	Grape tomatoes, green beans, corn on the cob, tomatoes, broccoli, spinach & romaine salad, cucumber. Lancaster Foods is the distributor
Other	See website for more information: <a href="http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/foodserv/special/farm.shtml">http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/foodserv/special/farm.shtml</a>
<b>Prince George's County Public Schools</b>	
Local Products	Apples, tomatoes, yellow squash, hydroponic lettuce, cucumbers, red skin potatoes, watermelon
Local Farmers	Bartenfelder Farms, Baugher Orchards, Zahradka Farms, Chesapeake Greenhouse
Special Events	Local food items will be incorporated into school lunch menus
Other	See website for more information: <a href="http://www1.pgcps.org/foodandnutrition/index.aspx?id=13278">http://www1.pgcps.org/foodandnutrition/index.aspx?id=13278</a>
<b>St. Mary's County Public Schools</b>	
Local Products	Watermelon, squash, tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers
Local Farmers/Growers	Local Produce Auction
Special Events	Local watermelon will be distributed to all schools that week. We will have two schools that will host farm to school events. There will be curriculum delivered to students in the classroom during the week of Md. Homegrown School Lunch Week and then an event day when all of the students will visit outside interactive learning stations manned by SMCPs personnel, Univ. of MD. Extension educators and 4H volunteers along with local farmers. There will be three stations including animal ag, growing crops, and nutrition. Leonardtown ES on Wednesday and Ridge ES on Thursday
<b>Talbot County Public Schools</b>	
Local Foods	Watermelons, tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers and squash
Special Events	Local food items will be incorporated into school salads and lunch menus.
<b>Washington County Public Schools</b>	
Local Products & Growers	Stone Wall Angus Farm for local beef (processed by Hoffman's Meats), apples and peaches from Rinehart Orchards, bosc pears from Lewis Orchards and zucchini and squash from Houser Produce. Throughout the week, Washington County students will also enjoy Palmyra Farm cheese in the Chesapeake Mac and Cheese, chicken, pears, cantaloupe, green beans, peppers, and tomatoes – all purchased from local farms and Greensburg Farm Produce Company.
Special Events	Kick-off event for Maryland Homegrown School Lunch Week
<b>Wicomico County Public Schools</b>	
Local Products	Corn on the cob, green beans
Special Events	Local product on the menu for the month of Sept.
<b>Worcester County Public Schools</b>	
Local Products & Farmer	County Line Farms: Watermelon, corn on cob, and tomatoes Teddy Bear Fresh: Apples, squash
Special Events	Yellow squash, zucchini, butternut squash, onions, fresh thyme and olive oil will be roasted and serve during the week. Local food to be incorporated into menus, school newsletters, lunch lines

## Independent Schools

### St. Michael's – St. Mary's County

Local Products	Sausage, fruit, eggs, pork BBQ, vegetables, potatoes, chicken, hamburgers, tomatoes, sweet corn and watermelon
Local Farmers/ Vendors	Trossbach Produce, Sivak Produce, Porpoise Creek Farm, Wag Meats, Swell Honey Farm
Special Events	Several grades visited Lexington Park, Homegrown Market to purchase local product for school lunches for the week.